

I am outraged at Sinclair's obvious attempt to impact our Presidential election. This information is 35 years old. Senator Kerry has been in office for 20 years. If this information was so important to air, why now and no other time within the last 35 years? To air this within weeks of the presidential election in key states is a blatant attempt to influence voters to Sinclair's political views. This is an absolute misuse of corporate power.

Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions have illustrated the dangers to localism caused by media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.